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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK ELECTRONICALLY FILED DOC #:

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

- V. -

CONSENT PRELIMINARY ORDER

OF FORFEITURE/

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**MONEY JUDGMENT** 

ALEX SANTIAGO RODRIGUEZ TAPIA,

Defendant.

22 Cr. 532 (GHW)

WHEREAS, on or about October 6, 2022, ALEX SANTIAGO RODRIGUEZ TAPIA (the "Defendant"), among others, was charged in a sealed Indictment, 22 Cr. 532 (GHW) (the "Indictment"), with narcotics importation conspiracy, in violation of Title 21, United States Code, Section 963 and Title 18, United States Code, Section 3238 (Count One); and conspiracy to possess machineguns and destructive weapons, in violation of Title 18, United States Code, Sections 924(o) and 3238 (Count Two);

WHEREAS, the Indictment included a forfeiture allegation as to Count One of the Indictment, seeking forfeiture to the United States, pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Sections 853 and 970, of any and all property constituting, or derived from, any proceeds obtained, directly or indirectly, as a result of the offense charged in Count One of the Indictment, and any and all property used, or intended to be used, in any manner or part, to commit, or to facilitate the commission of the offense charged in Count One of the Indictment, including but not limited to a sum of money in United States currency representing the amount of proceeds traceable to the commission of the offense charged in Count One of the Indictment;

WHEREAS, on or about October 27, 2023, the Defendant pled guilty to Count One of the Indictment, pursuant to a plea agreement with the Government, wherein the Defendant admitted the forfeiture allegation with respect to Count One of the Indictment and agreed to forfeit to the United States, any and all property constituting, or derived from, any proceeds obtained, directly or indirectly, as a result of the offense charged in Count One of the Indictment, and any and all property used, or intended to be used, in any manner or part, to commit, or to facilitate the commission of the offense charged in Count One of the Indictment;

WHEREAS, the Defendant consents to the entry of a money judgment in the amount of \$26,400 in United States currency, representing the amount of proceeds traceable to the offense charged in Count One of the Indictment that the Defendant personally obtained; and

WHEREAS, the Defendant admits that, as a result of acts and/or omissions of the Defendant, the proceeds traceable to the offense charged in Count One of the Indictment that the Defendant personally obtained cannot be located upon the exercise of due diligence.

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and between the United States of America, by its attorney Damian Williams, United States Attorney, Assistant United States Attorneys, Nicholas S. Bradley and Matthew J.C. Hellman of counsel, and the Defendant, and his counsel, Zawadi S. Baharanyi, Esq., that:

- 1. As a result of the offense charged in Count One of the Indictment, to which the Defendant pled guilty, a money judgment in the amount of \$26,400 in United States currency (the "Money Judgment"), representing the amount of proceeds traceable to the offense charged in Count One of the Indictment that the Defendant personally obtained, shall be entered against the Defendant.
- 2. Pursuant to Rule 32.2(b)(4) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, this Consent Preliminary Order of Forfeiture/Money Judgment is final as to the Defendant, ALEX SANTIAGO RODRIGUEZ TAPIA, and shall be deemed part of the sentence of the Defendant, and shall be included in the judgment of conviction therewith.

- 3. All payments on the outstanding money judgment shall be made by postal money order, bank or certified check, made payable, in this instance, to the United States Marshals Service, and delivered by mail to the United States Attorney's Office, Southern District of New York, Attn: Money Laundering and Transnational Criminal Enterprises Unit, One St. Andrew's Plaza, New York, New York 10007 and shall indicate the Defendant's name and case number.
- 4. The United States Marshals Service is authorized to deposit the payments on the Money Judgment into the Assets Forfeiture Fund, and the United States shall have clear title to such forfeited property.
- 5. Pursuant to Title 21, United States Code, Section 853(p), the United States is authorized to seek forfeiture of substitute assets of the Defendant up to the uncollected amount of the Money Judgment.
- 6. Pursuant to Rule 32.2(b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure, the United States Attorney's Office is authorized to conduct any discovery needed to identify, locate or dispose of forfeitable property, including depositions, interrogatories, requests for production of documents and the issuance of subpoenas.
- 7. The Court shall retain jurisdiction to enforce this Consent Preliminary Order of Forfeiture/Money Judgment, and to amend it as necessary, pursuant to Rule 32.2 of the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure.

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8. The signature page of this Consent Preliminary Order of Forfeiture/Money Judgment may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of which will be deemed an original but all of which together will constitute one and the same instrument.

## AGREED AND CONSENTED TO:

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SO ORDERED:

HONORABLE GREGORY H. WOODS

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE